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Today's Weather

It will be cooler, with low clouds in the morning and northwesterly moderate winds. In Aqaba, winds will be northerly moderate and seas calm.

Table with 3 columns: Location, Overnight, Daytime. Locations include Amman, Aqaba, Deserts, Jordan Valley.

Yesterday's high temperatures: Amman 29, Aqaba 34. Humidity readings: Amman 28 per cent, Aqaba 35 per cent.

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Algeria sends Angola MiG-25 jets

Algiers, Sept. 16 (R) - Algeria has sent two MiG-25 fighter bombers to Angola to counter South African attacks against its air force.

Earthquake rages 400, 4,000 injured

Beijing, Sept. 16 (R) - More than 400 people were killed and about 4,000 injured in a 7.5 magnitude earthquake that hit a region of northern China.

Iranian assault on protesters at ar plant

Beach, California, (R) - An all-woman police unit scaled the barbed wire of a new atomic power plant on the rugged coast today during a day of anti-nuclear protests.

Journalist's portrait or jailed

N, Sept. 16 (R) - A 26-year-old student from Ireland who slashed a portrait of the Princess of Wales is jailed today for six months and ordered to pay for his repair.

Law warns of curfew

AW, Sept. 16 (R) - Britain's Labour Party has warned of a curfew on the streets of London if the party wins the next election.

Sadat orders all Soviets out

CAIRO, Sept. 16 (Agencies) - President Anwar Sadat has ordered more than 1,500 Soviet officials and advisers out of Egypt within a week, claiming Moscow incited the recent Muslim-Christian strife in Cairo.

Arab front leaders confer in Libya to counter U.S.-Israeli joint moves

BEIRUT, Sept. 16 (Agencies) - The heads of state of the member countries of the Steadfastness and Confrontation Front gathered in Libya to map out a joint strategy to counter the growing hostility towards the Arabs from Israel and the United States.

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The sources said Cairo could encounter problems finding qualified replacements. Officials said they planned to appoint Egyptians to fill the jobs. An East European diplomat who asked not to be named said communist embassies feared more expulsions might be imminent.

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Sudan claims shooting down Libyan bomber

KHARTOUM, Sudan, Sept. 16 (A.P.) - A Libyan bomber was shot down today after being fired on by Chadian guerrillas and Sudanese air defenses in the first direct confrontation between Libya and Sudan, the Sudanese News Agency reported.

Premier Kani joins bandwagon of Iranian presidency aspirants

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Begin arrives back home to face sharp criticism

TEL AVIV, Sept. 16 (R) - Prime Minister Menachem Begin returned from the United States today to face growing unease in Israel over strategic cooperation accords reached with President Ronald Reagan.

He told reporters the accords were aimed solely at containing Soviet expansion in the Middle East and that Israel had no wish to be defended by foreign soldiers. "We can look after ourselves in the future as well as in the past," Mr. Begin said.



Menachem Begin

demonstrators who greeted Mr. Begin with placards declaring: "We will not be cannon fodder." Earlier in the week the opposition Labour Party accused Mr. Begin of offering to place Israeli forces at America's disposal "without any connection with this country's defence needs and without Israel having been asked to do so in the first place."

Israel over strategic cooperation accords reached with President Ronald Reagan.

This has raised concern that closer cooperation might tie Israel's hands when it came to such operations as the bombing of the Iraqi nuclear reactor last June and the bombing of civilians in Beirut last July. The English-language Jerusalem Post commented: "Regardless of the precise measure of strategic cooperation finally agreed on, it will effectively limit the freedom of Israel's military action in the future."

Concern over AWACS deal prompts last-minute Begin-Haig talks at N.Y.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (R) - U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig held a last-minute airport meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin last night because of concern that congressional opposition to the sale of radar planes to Saudi Arabia may be growing, diplomatic sources said today.

MIDDLE EAST NEWS BRIEFS

- Klibi urges WHO office transfer to Amman
Rabbis ordered to keep hands off archaeology
Islamabad's 'no war' offer gets cool Delhi reception
Pope receives secret message from Sadat
Lebanon receives armoured tanks from France

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

JD 3 million post office project
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The Ministry of Communications earmarked JD 3 million project aimed at upgrading postal services. The project entails the construction of a new multistorey building to house the central post office, to be supplied with up to equipment. The building is to be set up on a 12-dunum tract and.

Transport aide sees Urwick
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — Under-Secretary of Transport and Air Transport Al Taher conferred at his office today with British ambassador to Jordan Alan Urwick. They discussed cooperation between Jordan and Britain in rail transport.

UNRWA chief leaves Amman
MAN, Sept. 16 (J.T.) — The commissioner general of the United Nations Relief and Work Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA), Mr. Olof Rydbeck, left Amman for the West Bank today at the end of a two-day visit. During the visit he met with senior government officials to discuss matters connected with UNRWA's services to the refugees. Mr. Rydbeck's visit to Jordan was in the course of a tour he is making of Arab states to inform Palestinian refugees to look into the agency's services, to submitting a report to the U.N. General Assembly in New York.

Karak photo exhibition planned
AK, Sept. 16 (Petra) — A two-day exhibition of photographs depicting the successes of the Iraqi army in its war with Iran will open in Karak on Sunday. The president of the Karak Club and sports club said that the exhibition, to be mounted at the club in cooperation with the Iraqi press office in Amman, will mark the first anniversary of the Iraq-Iran war.

EA men depart for training course
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — Mr. Awad Al Zurbi of the Jordanian Electricity Authority (JEA) left for Cyprus today to take part in a training course on office management and computer services which will begin tomorrow. The course will help the JEA to improve the services of its computerised systems, a JEA spokesman said. Meanwhile, the JEA has dispatched Engineer Fawzi al-Husseini to its planning department to Britain to take part in a two-month seminar of specialists from developing nations. The seminar, to start at Bradford University tomorrow, is for orienting participants on ways of assessing feasibility studies on economic and development projects.

Mauritanian envoy sees CAEU chief
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — Mauritanian Ambassador to Jordan, Mohamed Mahmoud Ould Widiadi today called at the office of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) and conferred with its director, Dr. Fakhri Qaddour. They reviewed the CAEU's activities in 1981, and the ambassador voiced his appreciation for the CAEU's assistance in developing statistics in his country. They also discussed the CAEU's contribution in the building of railroads in Mauritania by arranging loans from Arab economic funds.

and transport union board to meet
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The Amman-based Arab Union of Transport (AULT) board will hold its seventh meeting in Amman on Sept. 23 to study plans for the future plans review the implementation of the latest plan. Participants in the three-day meeting will also discuss a research project dealing with organisational aspects of the transport industry. AULT Secretary General, Abdullah Dumour said. He added the AULT's 1982 budget is being reviewed during the meeting. Mr. Dumour will leave for Amman on Saturday.

Jerash teachers' housing planned
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The departments of education and urban planning in Jerash today agreed to carry out housing projects for teachers in Jerash District. A joint committee has been set up to select a suitable plot of land for the project and to work out arrangements with the teachers and concerned departments. Teachers wishing to participate have been asked to make initial payment of JD 200.

Zarqa area plan formulated
QA, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The regional planning committee in Zarqa has prepared a working paper for the organisation of the city and its suburbs. Zarqa District Governor Salem Al Qudahi today said that the paper will be discussed by the committee at a meeting to be held on Sept. 27. The committee consists of mayors of municipalities in Zarqa District and directors of government departments.

Arab banks' technical panel to meet
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The Central Bank will take part in a technical committee meeting of the council of Arab central banks in Abu Dhabi in December. During the meeting, expected to last several days, the committee will discuss a proposal by the Arab Monetary Fund connected with an agreement on settling payments among Arab countries.

WSC brings water to villages
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The Water Supply Corporation (WSC) has started constructing a water-pipe network for the village of Thaghrat Al Jib in Mafrqa District. The project, which is estimated to cost JD 10,000, entails the laying of three kilometres of pipe. The WSC plans to carry out similar projects during this month in Manshiyet Bani Hassan, Arhaba, Al Rabha and Sa'adeh with a total cost of JD 20,000.

World Food Day panel to meet
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The national committee on the 10th World Food Day will hold meetings at the end of this month under the leadership of Agriculture Minister Salem Al Lawzi. The committee will discuss the steps which will be taken on the occasion of World Food Day, which will take place on Oct. 16. It will also take up questions related to the supply, quality and price of food. The committee includes delegates from the ministries of agriculture, transport and health, the Agricultural Credit Organisation and the University of Jordan.

Eleven must pay JD 50
MAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — Eleven Jordanian merchants have been fined JD 50 each by the military court for violating Ministry of Supply regulations. The military governor today endorsed the sentences.

Russian ballet troupe arrives

By Waqqas Tal
Special to the Jordan Times
AMMAN, Sept. 16 — The Moscow Academic Musical Theatre troupe arrived in Amman today on a visit to Jordan at the invitation of the Department of Culture and Arts. During the visit the troupe will present three ballet performances at the Palace of Culture in Al Hussein Youth City. Upon their arrival here the troupe's members visited Al Hussein Youth City and met with its director, Mr. Isam Arakda, to discuss the details of their programmes, which will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17, 19 and 20. The 85-member troupe includes 35 female and 30 male dancers along with a support team, according to Mr. Yuri Bribegin, the troupe's leader. The troupe, he added, includes four members who have won international competitions in Tokyo, Moscow, Paris and Vienna. These are: Vadim Tedelf, Vladimir Kirilov, Michael Krapivin and Margareta Tradedova. The troupe is touring the Mid-

dle East region for the first time, though some of its members had visited it some time ago, he said. The troupe is happy to visit Jordan and meet with its people, and hopes to be able to tour the country's archaeological sites, Mr. Bribegin said. According to Alexi Chichinadze, chief choreographer, Thursday's performance will include Act II of the ballet "Swan Lake", and the audience will also be treated to a ballet to the music of Aram Khachaturian.

"We look forward to performing for the Jordanian public, and hope to impress our audiences with the beauty of the Russian ballet," Mr. Chichinadze said.

Jordan-PLO panel meets
AMMAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The Jordanian-Palestinian Committee for Supporting the Steadfastness of the People of the Occupied Arab Territories held two meetings today to discuss projects for which allocations have been made this year. Economic, agricultural, health and public services projects would be implemented through local municipal or village councils, cooperative societies and other national institutions in the West Bank. The Jordanian side at the talks was headed by Minister of Occupied Territories Affairs Hassan Ibrahim and the Palestinian side by Mr. Hamed Abu Sitta, member of the Palestine Liberation Organisation's executive committee. No other details were disclosed.



Pas de deux from a ballet performed by the Moscow Academic Musical Theatre troupe

City service projects said to be half completed

AMMAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The director of the project for the beautification of Amman, Mr. Michel Qarrah, has announced that half of the required work on the project to modernise city services, including the laying of new pipelines for drinking water and sewage, and electricity and communications cables, has been completed. Amman Mayor Issam Ajlouni will make an inspection tour on Thursday to get acquainted with the progress made and the problems standing in the way of implementation. Meanwhile, the Public Security Directorate has submitted several proposals to the Interior Ministry to curb road accidents. The proposals include the formation of a higher council for road safety to undertake the collection of data on the causes of accidents, and to find ways of dealing with them through the responsible authorities. The replacement of passenger cars by buses in downtown Amman is also proposed, as is finding garages for the vehicles which have become scattered around the southern entrance of the capital after they were removed from Al Shargh Al Awsat garage area without finding an alternative place for them.

Riot control officers graduate
AMMAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — A class of police officers specialised in law enforcement and riot control graduated today at the Royal Police College. The participants in the two-week training course included a number of police officers from Bahrain and Iraq. They were trained on the control of rioting and the use of firearms. Brig. Bassam Al Humud of the Public Security Directorate, who stood in for the directorate's director, made a speech on the occasion and distributed diplomas and prizes to the graduates.

Investment Co. board to meet on Saturday

AMMAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The board of the Arab Investment Company will hold its 33rd meeting in Amman on Saturday to discuss progress on 20 Arab projects in which the company holds shares, and to review projects in which it can participate in the future. The Riyadh-based company, established in 1974 with a \$300 million capital, currently holds shares in the Jordan Petroleum Refineries Company, the Jordan Glass Factories Company, the Arab Jordan Investment Bank and the Paper and Carton Factory Company. Among the subjects to be discussed is the possibility of increasing the company's participation in the capital of development projects in Jordan, company sources said. Those to be installed in Jordan by a French firm in accordance with a Franco-Jordanian protocol signed on March 17 last year, the minister said.

November confab set on development follow-up

AMMAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — The Amman Chamber of Industry will hold a meeting in November to discuss the implementation of the resolutions of a seminar on the role of the private sector in promoting economic and social development in Jordan which was held in Amman last September under the chairmanship of His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan. The Chamber of Industry has requested proprietors of industrial businesses in Jordan to provide it with proposals connected with subjects on the agenda. Deputy Director Bandar Al Tabbar said. Among last September's resolutions is one that calls for periodic meetings between representatives of the public and private sectors to look into ways of solving the country's social and economic problems.

FJCC head back from Arab groups meeting

AMMAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce (FJCC) Secretary General Amin Al Hussein returned to Amman today after representing the FJCC at the 54th meeting of the Arab Federation of Chambers of Industry, Commerce and Agriculture in Somalia. During the five-day meeting, participants discussed the establishment of an Arab chamber in Moscow and reviewed the condition of such chambers in West Germany, Greece, and India. Mr. Hussein said. The participants, he added, also stressed the need for a firm Arab stand towards firms which cooperate with Israeli companies in violation of Arab office for the boycott of Israel regulations. They also approved a draft agreement on cooperation between Arab chambers of commerce, industry and agriculture and French chambers. Mr. Hussein said.

Case studies seminar ends

AMMAN, Sept. 16 (Petra) — A scientific seminar on the use of case studies in administrative training ended at the Arab Organisation of Administrative Sciences (AOAS) today. Twenty-one participants from 13 Arab states took part in the two-week seminar, during which they were oriented on skills needed in writing administrative case studies and on modern theories of training and training methods. AOAS Director General Abdullah Al Zurbi and the director of the administrative sciences academy in Sudan, Dr. Hassan Abshar, addressed the closing session, and Dr. Zurbi later distributed certificates to the participants.

WHAT'S GOING ON

- Alia Art Gallery**
Invites all to see its permanent exhibition of paintings, sculptures, etchings, lithographs, ceramics and calligraphy. Open daily except Fridays from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Little League Soccer**
The league reminds its team members to be at the ACS field on Friday at 9 a.m. in uniform. Team mothers will be calling in with more information.
- Film**
The French Cultural Centre will present a comedy by Jean Renoir, "Elena et les hommes," from Friday Sept. 18 till Sunday Sept. 20 at the centre in Jabal Luweibdeh at 7:30 p.m.

ARE YOU...

Staging a play? Putting on a concert? Delivering a lecture? Organising any non-profit activity open to the public? Do you have any kind of event to announce to the Jordan Times' readers? The What's Going On listing is always open to receive entries, preferably written ones, in English or Arabic... free of charge. Entries should be received at the Jordan Times office, by hand or by mail, at least 24 hours before the scheduled event. Let us know!

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RED & BLACK The Jordanian economy is healthy

By Jawad Ahmad

ONCE upon a time a cliché describing the Jordanian economy was in popular usage among economists from Jordan and abroad. The said cliché was to the effect that the Jordanian economy is sensitive to external influences, and that its health in a given year depended largely on the amount of rain fall.

The sources of fluctuations or business cycles within the Jordanian economy, in my own judgement, are government expenditures, labour mobility and other labour-related factors, private sector investments and planned investment, construction activity, and last is the money supply.

Labour mobility in Jordan is very high whether measured on sectoral, external-internal or rural-urban levels. This is creating clogs and bottlenecks across the board while commensurately creating very healthy responses.

The private sector actual and planned investments are also a source of fluctuation. The size able investments of the private sector whether in real or speculative ventures colour the total economy.

expenditures. The size of, and the situation within, the construction activity also dampen or revive the general economic performance. Construction is, to a great deal, a domestic decision.

Into the Arab orbit

By Bernd Debusmann

DJIBOUTI — Oil-rich Arab states from Libya to Saudi Arabia are engaged in a quiet campaign to lock Djibouti firmly into the Arab orbit and lessen its dependence on France, the former colonial power in this strategic territory.

At the same time, Djibouti is becoming an increasingly important port of call for American warships and last year, for the first time, U.S. naval vessels refuelling here outnumbered warships from France.

According to Saleh Kamra, a senior port official, 62 U.S. warships used Djibouti's deep-water port in 1980, compared with 60 from France. A majority of the 88 naval vessels which bunkered at Djibouti in the first five months of this year (compared with 50 in the same period in 1980) were American.

Situated on the western shore of the Bab El-Mandeb, the 17-mile (27-km) strait which links the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean, Djibouti is of prime importance for the security of one of the world's busiest oil routes.

"We matter because of where we are," said a civil servant here. "The aid we get to build up our country is because of its location."

In the four years since Djibouti gained independence after more than a century of French rule, Saudi Arabia has emerged as the country's most important financial backer after France. The Saudis have so far given more than \$60 million for a variety of development projects.

Iraq last year pledged another \$60 million but none of it has yet been disbursed. The list of Arab countries aiding Djibouti also includes Kuwait, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, and Libya. Eight of the 13 embassies established here are Arab, a proportion clearly reflecting Djibouti's importance in Arab eyes.

But Arab diplomats in this sun-scorched country wedged between Somalia and Ethiopia are clearly concerned over what they see as France's cultural domination over its former colony.

Djibouti is the smallest and most recent member of the 21-nation Arab League, having joined soon after independence on June 27, 1977. Arabic was made an official language alongside French.

Yet, less than 10 per cent of Djibouti's population of about 300,000 are ethnic Arabs. Estimates of those who both speak and write Arabic will range from 3,000 to 7,000.

According to diplomats here, President Hassan Ghoulouid himself speaks Arabic so haltingly that he has now begun taking lessons to ease communication with his fellow leaders in the Arab League.

The language of instruction at state-run schools is French and French teachers make up at least two-thirds of the entire teaching staff. Recently Arabic was added to the primary school curriculum as a foreign language with one hour per day taught from the fifth year.

But neither of the two languages appears capable of serving as a link between Djibouti's major ethnic groups. Djibouti television broadcasts news in four versions: in Afar, Somali, Arabic and French.

There has never been a census in Djibouti but according to French estimates, about 35 per cent of the population belong to the Afar tribe, and 40 per cent to the Somali-speaking Issas. The remainder is made up of Somalis and Arabs of Yemeni origin.

"A common language is an important tool in developing a sense of nationhood," said a U.N. official here. "But how many people here regard themselves as Djiboutians rather than as Afars, Issas or Somalis is open to conjecture."

"Ending the French cultural domination here is a long process," said the Libyan ambassador. "It will take no less than 20 years. But in the long run, Arabic will spread and become the language of all."

But the Arabs face an uphill struggle in their effort to win the hearts and minds of the people of Djibouti.

Financial Times news feature

Cause and effect

ONE OF the more bizarre aspects of the new "strategic relationship" between the United States and Israel is that it will foster precisely the thing that it claims to counter — Soviet penetration into the Middle East.

The immediate response of the Arabs to the latest development in American-Israeli cooperation has been to see the move as a serious threat to the stability of the area. The argument that the new move will help defend the interests of so-called "moderate" Arab states is preposterous — and it would be funny, were it not so serious.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

It is Zionist terrorism

AL RA'I: Zionist quarters that perpetrated the criminal attack on Italian tourists in Jerusalem last week-end have proved unsuccessful in their attempts to conceal their responsibility, or in blaming it on the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

Seeking support of General Assembly

AL DUSTOUR: The U.N. General Assembly opens its 36th session in New York today to discuss an assortment of issues, and to try to resolve conflicts which threaten world peace and security.

Checking terrorism at a cost...

By David Storey ANKARA — Among the documents covering the desk of a senior figure in Turkey's military administration is a newly-published book in English tracing international terrorist links.

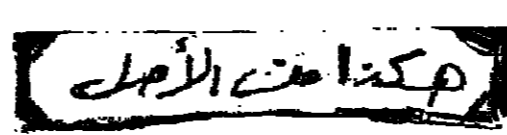
enjoys considerable trade with communist states and the Soviet Union has a stake in important industrial projects. But the generals of this NATO state, which has a 610 km (380 mile) border with the Soviet Union and a 269 km (168 mile) frontier with Bulgaria, are apprehensive of possible communist subversion.

As far as the average Turk on the street is concerned, the price for every-day security has been high. In a society where family ties are strong and social contacts extensive almost everyone has a relative or acquaintance who has been detained at some time.

Mexico seeks its next monarch

By William Chislett MEXICO CITY: Sr Jose Lopez Portillo, the president of Mexico, is casting round for an heir. He will name him by the end of the year, and the new president will take office in December 1982 after elections next July which are expected to be a formality.

political than economic. The economy, which is expanding at nearly 7 per cent this year for the fourth consecutive year, is straining the established political system. The man most widely expected to become the next president, Sr Jorge de la Vega Dominguez, the commerce minister, fits this bill.



Region's airlines eye growing network

By Louise Denver

CHAIRMAN of five Arab met in Kuwait last week at the few international airlines does not overshadowed by losses suffered in the year. Gulf Air, Airways, Saudia, Alia and East Airlines (MEA) and a rare optimism to the table at their Arab Air meeting (AACO). As has just announced to combat worldwide by expanding its network Gulf Air is optimistic will be one of the few air- make a profit this year. Jif Air's Manager of Finan- Hassan Juma: "We cked up remarkably after a or start to 1981 and are ly improving, so that we reach 75 per cent of our y the end of the year." he basis of last year's pe- ce, the first year that the owned by four Gulf ed published accounts of a ed profit, Gulf Air hoped 15.7 million, in 1981. This e face of the same critical

conditions that all international airlines are facing: crippling inflation, soaring operating costs and fluctuating exchange rates. In addition to these, Gulf Air has individual problems where a large proportion of its revenue is won from on-line stations with restrictions on transferring the money from sales to dollars. For instance one major destination, Bombay, requires a complicated system of tax returns and controls before allowing Gulf Air's rupees to be exchanged into dollars. This means that interest from thousands of dollars is denied the airline for up to six weeks after every sale.

"Because of these restrictions on transfers of money, not only from India, but from Cairo, Karachi and our other Far East destinations, I am always suffering from a cash flow stagnation," said Mr. Juma. "In 75 per cent of our on-line stations I cannot touch our money from up to seven weeks of its first being generated."

Nevertheless Gulf Air's subsidiaries and associated companies, which include the Gulf hotels in Bahrain and Muscat.

Gulf Helicopter Co. and a light aircraft division based in Muscat encourage the airline to expect a healthy return. 1982's target is a 15 per cent return on investment which is \$11.48 million.

Earlier this year, the International Air Transport Association (IATA), issued doom-laden projections from an extraordinary meeting called to discuss immediate solutions to the worsening financial crisis. IATA Director General Knut Hammarstrand said the world's major commercial airlines will be in the red by a total of \$700 million by the end of the year, if present trends continue. The 110 member companies will lose \$1.7 billion on operating their scheduled flights while paying out an estimated \$900 million in repayment charges. IATA financial experts said.

But the Arab airlines, led by Gulf Air, seem to be in a situation apart. At a marketing sales conference by MEA in Bahrain this week, Managing Director Salim Salaam said that the answer to the crisis was to expand. MEA, the oldest and certainly the most experienced Arab airline in terms

of management and operating expertise, has decided to meet the coming years head on and announced plans to extend its network to North and South America, Manila and Japan by spring of next year.

The impetus for the move comes from the return of the airline's three 747s which have been on loan to Saudia. Said Mr. Salaam: "We were faced with the choice of either selling off the planes and therefore putting 700 people immediately out of work, with a potential of losing jobs for up to 2,000, or becoming much bigger than we in fact are." The airline chose the latter and will embark on the new long-haul routes by the end of the year.

But it was not only on socio-political basis the decision was made, for as Mr. Salaam explained, "We think we can make our expansion pay. We owe

money to no one, and like Gulf Air our shareholders increased our capital earlier this year. Unlike other international airlines (on) the North Atlantic route, MEA has a large ethnic market to serve between Lebanon and the U.S. And the Far East market should be profitable for they are manpower-generating countries to the Middle East, the area that we serve."

MEA, like other Arab airlines at the AACO meeting, is intending to buy new aircraft this year. MEA has signed a \$350 million deal in a letter of intent for five

airbuses with an option on 15 more. The first is to be delivered by 1983.

Gulf Air will be adding a seventh Tristar to its fleet by November this year. The loan agreement for \$37.5 million involving Gulf Air, Gulf International Bank, the American Export and Import Bank and Lockheed Finance Co. was signed in Manama, Bahrain, last month.

Saudia received two Boeing 747s in April, and Kuwait Airways has expanded its fleet with six Boeing 727s and ordered the new airbus for delivery later this

year. So as some airlines decide on catastrophic measures -- Pan American Airways, for example, which is putting staff on half pay and selling off one lucrative asset, the Inter-Continental chain of hotels; Pakistan International Airlines axing 7,000 people, or more

than a third of its staff -- the Arab airlines can sit a little more easily around their conference table and discuss future technical and operating cooperation agreements with some optimism.

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ECONOMY

Why Japan may turn to Latin America

By Richard C. Hanson

TOKYO: Japanese traders still view Latin America as a "marginal" market for their products, despite a mini boom in trade so far this year.

It is seen as a mostly inhospitable place for investment and, above all, a long way away. For years, most businessmen conceded the area to long-established U.S. and European interests. The importance of even "marginal" markets, however, is likely to grow if protectionism in the

advanced industrial world continues to strengthen. Moreover, Japanese businessmen and government officials recognise the importance of keeping the lines of communication open to Latin America's mostly untapped natural resources. They also recognise the potential for new bus-

ness as Latin America continues to modernise.

The importance of Latin America as a safety valve for Japanese exports, placed under restraints in other markets, was best illustrated this year by cars.

Shipments to all Latin America in the first half this year jumped 40 per cent to 219,506 units. To South America as a whole, exports doubled; shipments to Chile tripled to 79,530 units.

Overall customs clearance exports in the first half were up 43 per cent to \$5.2 billion, well above the rate of increase generally, following on the heels of a 36 per cent jump in 1980 to \$8.9 billion.

Traders believe that the export boom may be at a peak, however, considering worsening conditions in such markets as Argentina, where car imports have been curtailed after a surge early this year.

Trade between Latin America and Japan has followed an erratic path (though one clearly in Japan's favour) since 1970. Exports in that time have risen eight-fold despite uncertainties caused by oil shocks and other economic and political woes. But Latin America's share of total Japanese exports remains less than 7 per cent. At the peak in

1974, the share rose to 9 per cent.

Likewise, Latin America remains a marginal supplier of goods to Japan. For the last two years only 4.1 per cent of its imports came from Latin America, though the rate of increase in imports was 26 per cent in 1980 and 33 per cent in the first half this year. About three-

As Japan encounters growing protectionism in advanced industrial markets, trade with Latin America takes on greater importance -- not least because Japan needs access to the continent's raw material wealth.

quarters of the imports are in the form of foodstuffs, raw materials and, more recently, limited amounts of oil.

Indeed, Japan's role is increasingly that of a conduit (through the huge Japanese trading companies) for "third" country trade by a number of Latin American states. Trading companies report that Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador and Mexico have all requested such help in overseas markets.

In terms of investment, Latin America ranks far behind North America and Asia, having been targeted for 17.5 per cent of Japan's cumulative outward investment. Moreover, nearly half of Japan's investment in the re-

gion is in just one country, Brazil, where most of Japan's "national project" resource development investment is concentrated.

Japan's lending to Latin American countries, especially Brazil, is also heavy. But on the whole, Japanese financiers are rather worried. Argentina, for example, found... is scheduled Samurai yen

raw materials, processed or otherwise.

Two recent trips to Latin America by Japanese ministers were apparently arranged as afterthoughts to other travel plans. Neither the Minister of International Trade and Industry nor the Foreign Minister had much in the way of substantive business to conduct.

The business of securing a foothold in Latin American natural resources has not been an easy one.

One of the more ironic twists in Japan's economic links with Mexico, however, occurred this summer.

Importers in Tokyo turned down an urgent request from Mexico to triple oil purchases to 300,000 barrel a day (b/d). Just over a year earlier, a Japanese Prime Minister, bearing gifts of aid and economic co-operation, had travelled to Mexico -- before the oil glut -- to try to win the exact same pledge from the Mexican Government.

Oil shipments in the long run are expected to increase, especially after a Pacific coast pipeline and port facility are completed later this year, lowering freight charges to Japan. But Mexico will be bargaining hard for an increase in Japanese co-operation in developing its industrial and transportation infrastructure, as well as tourism. Japan is already building a pipe mill and foundry.

Financial Times news feature

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, Sept. 16 (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at the close of trading on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets today.

One sterling	1.8460/80	U.S. dollar
One U.S. dollar	1.2018/21	Canadian dollar
	2.3035/55	West German marks
	2.5550/5600	Dutch guilders
	1.9860/90	Swiss francs
	37.80/85	Belgian francs
	5.5225/75	French francs
	1175.00/1177.00	Italian lire
	226.80/227.10	Japanese yen
	5.5390/5620	Swedish crowns
	5.8730/50	Norwegian crowns
	7.2950/75	Danish crowns
One ounce of gold	450.00/451.00	U.S. dollars

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON, Sept. 16 (R) — Equities closed lower amid small volume and at 1500 the F.T. index was down 4.8 at 529.5.

Dealers said recent falls were extended on small selling interest but a few issues closed above the day's lows. British Aerospace fell 15p to 208p after adverse U.K. press comment following its half year results yesterday, they said.

Gold shares fell more than three dollars, reflecting the easier bullion price. North American issues were marked lower.

In oil, Burmah finished a net 2p up at 112 after a high of 118 and Tricentrol closed 2p easier at 234p. Delta group held basically steady at 51 but Amalgamated Metal Corp was 10p off at 388 after its interim. Rio Tinto Zinc rose 10p to 524p ahead of its results but fell to a low of 507 afterwards before steadying to 509p.

Legal and General Assurance closed at a penny down at 247p but firmed to 251 1/2 in after-hours following interim results.

Falls among leading issues averaged between 2p and 7p but GEC closed 10p down at 737 while Boots ended 3p higher against the trend at 229p.

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Tennis Talk



How to improve serve

By Maureen Stalla

SERVE IS the only stroke in the game in which you get two. Yet it is so often, I see a player bang the first serve out the second serve into the net. Many players fail to analyse if serve is not working, and they simply chalk it up as a bad server, there are concrete reasons why the serve is faulting and remedies to the problem. With work, anyone can consistently serve.

If your serve is going long, it is usually because the toss is behind the ball a little farther in front of your body. It helps to "chuck" as you toss, and think "up and out" as you hit. I also have more power if you do this. On the other hand, if you are going into the net, you must toss higher and keep it up. Quite often, people take their eyes off the ball and slouch as they make contact on the serve. Think "up—and watch your racket, hit the ball" times the obstacles barring a good serve are large mental players frequently complain that they feel uncoordinated. Swing without the ball. The most important thing is to do it with his balance and rhythm. (For tennis, "balance and rhythm" is the magic formula). Count out the serve as if it were a two-step. Take it easy and never rush your

I have lost all confidence in the serve you are probably the ball without any proper serving motion at all (with us results). The only thing to do in this case is to take a few weeks and just serve until you have regained confidence. Don't play any games until your serve is back as problem is a temperament situation. If one fault makes you angry and two faults make you furious, chances are there are faults, your whole game is obliterated by your rage. For as of your tennis (and reputation) you must control your self. The best way to do this is to always think of the next

at the past, concentrate on building your serve: make the better.

FORECAST FOR THURSDAY, SEPT. 17, 1981

YOUR DAILY Horoscope from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: The daytime gives you a good chance to put your practical affairs in better order. Tact and poise on your part are required to avoid an unpleasant situation from arising.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Morning is the best time for clearing up monetary problems. Make sure to follow advice you get from a business expert.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Taking the treatments that will improve your appearance is wise. Make new friends that are worthwhile.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Study just where you are headed and find more workable methods to gain success. Come to a better accord with loved one.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Don't rely on friends who are busy with own affairs at this time. Make plans to have more abundance in the future.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Be sure to handle an important duty well since you could be observed by higher-ups now. Take needed health treatments.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Put those creative ideas to work now and gain the respect of associates. Strive for increased happiness. Sidestep an opponent.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You have to use diplomacy if you wish to have the harmony at home you desire. Try not to offend others at this time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Contact persons who can assist you with routines and you get better results in the future. Avoid a troublemaker.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Anything of a monetary matter should be talked over with experts today. Show more devotion to loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) If properly tuned astrophysically, this should be a fine day for sociability. Take steps to improve your appearance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) A good day to have discussions with close ties and come to a better accord. Make plans to have greater income in the future.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Consult business experts who can give you the right advice at this time. Steer clear of one who has an eye on your assets.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will need much spiritual and ethical training early in life for your progeny to be successful. Anything that concerns big money matters is fine here. Give cultural advantages and the best education you can afford.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

FORECAST FOR FRIDAY, SEPT. 18, 1981

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Get in touch with trusted allies and gain their aid for a plan you have in mind. Strive for happiness in the days ahead.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Study new operational methods at work and gain greater benefits in the future. State your goals to influential persons.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) A good day for expansion where your regular interests are concerned, so take initial steps early in the day. Avoid gossip.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Fine day for taking care of personal responsibilities. Follow your intuition which is accurate at this time.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Come to a better accord with associates and make changes that can yield better results. Avoid one who is not trustworthy.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) A good day to expand where business interests are concerned. Don't neglect to handle accumulated duties.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Do something that will show to loved one that you are truly devoted. Take no chances where your credit is concerned.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Discuss with family members ways to improve conditions at home. A new outlet can bring more success in the future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Contact a person who understands a problem you have and will help you clear it up. Be more active.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Think along more modern lines where finances are concerned and get better results. Make the evening a happy one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Plan the future wisely so you can get what you truly want out of life. Go to the right sources for the data you need.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Take time out from regular routines and figure out a better way to gain your aims. Spend more time with the one you love.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will be one who wants to learn a great deal, but should be taught early in life to schedule activities well to gain the most benefits. Give the finest education you can afford and success is assured.

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Bookies accept bets on world boxing championship

LAS VEGAS, Nevada, Sept. 16 (R) — Sugar Ray Leonard matches his speed and superlative boxing skills against the awesome punching power of Thomas Hearns tonight in a 15-round fight to find the undisputed world welterweight champion.

Las Vegas bookmakers have

rated the fight even. Until a late surge of bets on Hearns, Leonard had been the favourite, with the odds ranging from 2-1 to 7-5.

Most boxing experts, however, believe 25-year-old Leonard will win because of his greater all-around ring skills, his hand and foot speed, adaptability and

experience against more formidable opponents.

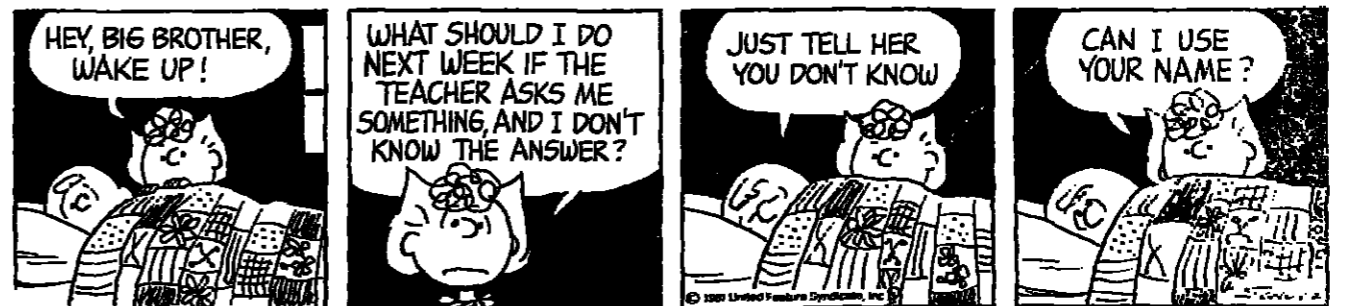
The consensus among most experts was that Leonard has the tools to win by either a knockout or decision, while Hearns' chances lie only in a knockout.

Both the world boxing council, which recognises Leonard as the champion, and the World Boxing

Association, which lists Hearns as its title-holder, have belatedly sanctioned the fight and agreed to recognise the winner as the undisputed world champion.

Only one other boxer, Marvin Hagler, the middleweight titleholder, is recognised as champion by both world bodies.

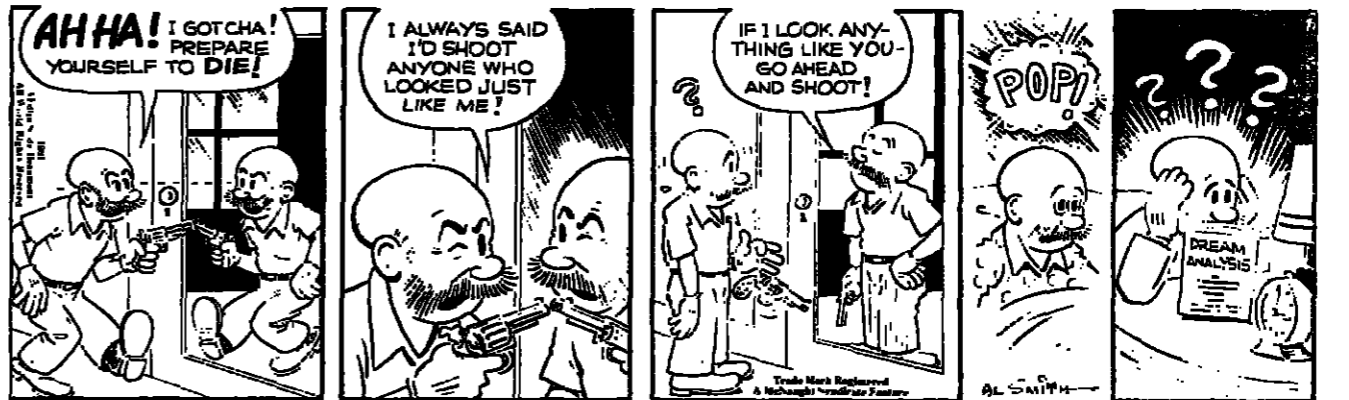
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By Evelyn Bonshoof

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1 Series of eight
6 Truman or Meyerson
10 Split over
14 Thither
15 Dismounted
16 Periodicat: abbr.
17 Colored
18 — noire
19 Biblical proposition
20 Sincere
22 Ancient
23 Room in Spain
24 Emulators of Lorelei
26 Landed property
30 Plagues
32 Summit
33 Willow tree
35 Rye fungus
38 Secluded
41 Miserly person
43 TV adjustment
44 City in Italy
46 All through
47 Minimal
48 Acquired
51 Abase
54 Geological ridges
56 Frosted
57 Fair transaction
63 Flightless bird
64 Vehicle
65 Quebec peninsula
66 Norwegian king
67 — Shan (Asian range)
68 Attack
69 Ego
70 Raison d'être
71 Exigencies
DOWN
1 A Kruger
2 Pull oneself up, in a way
3 Pup or circus
4 Span
5 Abhor
6 Noise and confusion
7 Exalt
8 Location
9 Actress
10 Factor of a number
11 Thrust
12 Horse opera
13 Urges
21 — on (exaggerate)
25 Addict
26 Ecstatic
27 Raw silk color
28 Idi
29 Stabilized
31 Orient
34 Socials
36 Administration: abbr.
37 S-shaped curve
38 Aquatic bird
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North East South West
1 ♦ 1 ♠ 2 ♥ Pass
3 ♣ Pass 4 ♣ Pass
4 ♦ Pass ?
What do you bid now?

Q.2—Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠J7 ♥Q853 ♦AKQ54 ♣92
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
1 ♥ Pass 2 ♥ Pass
3 ♥ Pass ?
What do you bid now?

Q.3—East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠Q10943 ♥J762 ♦QJ83
The bidding has proceeded:
West North East South
1 ♣ 1 ♦ Pass ?
What do you bid now?

Q.4—As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠AKJ ♥AJ1073 ♦6 ♣K976
The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
1 ♥ Pass 1 ♣ Pass ?
What do you bid now?

Q.5—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠K7 ♥854 ♦AJ1085 ♣Q52
The bidding has proceeded:
North East South West
Pass 1 NT Pass Pass
Dble Pass ?
What action do you take?

Q.6—North-South vulnerable, as South you hold:
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The bidding has proceeded:
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1 NT Pass 2 ♥ 2 ♣ Pass ?
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